

SELF-SERVICE CENTER

PROCEDURES: HOW TO FILE PAPERS WITH THE COURT FOR DISSOLUTION OF A NON-COVENANT MARRIAGE (DIVORCE) – WITH CHILDREN

STEP 1: Make **1** copy of the “*Family Court Cover Sheet*” after you have filled it out.

Make **2** copies of the following documents after you have filled them out:

- “*Summons*”
- “*Preliminary Injunction*”
- “*Notice of Right to Convert Health Insurance*”
- “*Order and Notice for the Parent Information Program*”
- “*Notice Regarding Creditors*”
- “*Affidavit of Minor Children*”

Make **3** copies of the following documents after you have filled them out:

- “*Petition for Dissolution of Marriage (Divorce)*”
- “*Child Support Information Form*”
- “*Agreement Not to Establish Child Support At This Time*” (optional)

STEP 2: SEPARATE YOUR DOCUMENTS INTO FOUR (4) SETS:

SET 1A - ORIGINALS FOR CLERK OF COURT: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “<i>Family Court Cover Sheet</i>”• “<i>Summons</i>”• “<i>Preliminary Injunction</i>”• <i>Petition for Dissolution of Marriage</i>• “<i>Child Support Information Form</i>” or• “<i>Agreement Not to Establish Child Support at This Time</i>” (optional)• “<i>Notice of Right to Convert Health Insurance</i>”• “<i>Order and Notice for Parent Information Program</i>”• “<i>Affidavit of Minor Children</i>”• “<i>Notice Regarding Creditors</i>”	SET 2 - COPIES FOR SPOUSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “<i>Summons</i>”• “<i>Preliminary Injunction</i>”• <i>Petition for Dissolution of Marriage</i>• “<i>Child Support Information Form</i>” or• “<i>Agreement not to Establish Child Support at This Time</i>” (optional)• “<i>Notice of Right to Convert Health Insurance</i>”• “<i>Order and Notice for Parent Information Program</i>”• “<i>Affidavit of Minor Children</i>”• “<i>Notice Regarding Creditors</i>”
SET 1B - COPIES FOR CLERK OF COURT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Petition for Dissolution of Marriage</i>• “<i>Child Support Information Form</i>” or• “<i>Agreement Not to Establish Child Support at This Time</i>” (optional) <p>Provide a self-addressed stamped envelope for you and a self-addressed stamped envelope your spouse</p>	SET 3 – COPIES FOR YOU: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “<i>Family Court Cover Sheet</i>”• “<i>Summons</i>”• “<i>Preliminary Injunction</i>”• <i>Petition for Dissolution of Marriage</i>• “<i>Child Support Information Form</i>” or• “<i>Agreement not to Establish Child Support at This Time</i>” (optional)• “<i>Notice of Right to Convert Health Insurance</i>”• “<i>Order and Notice for Parent Information Program</i>”• “<i>Affidavit of Minor Children</i>”• “<i>Notice Regarding Creditors</i>”

STEP 3: FILE THE PAPERS AT THE COURT:

GO TO: **GO TO THE COURT TO FILE YOUR PAPERS:** The court is open from 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday. **You should go to the court at least two hours before it closes.** You may file your court papers at the following Superior Court locations:

The Clerk of the Superior Court
Central Court Building
201 West Jefferson, 1st floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

The Clerk of the Superior Court
Southeast Court Complex
222 East Javelina Drive, 1st floor
Mesa, Arizona 85210

The Clerk of the Superior Court
Northwest Court Complex
14264 West Tierra Buena Lane
Surprise, Arizona 85374

FILE: Go to the Clerk of the Court filing counter to file your documents.

FEES: There is a filing fee and service fees for all Petitions. If you are entitled to a fee deferral (postponement or payment plan), you may request a deferral of the filing fees (and the Sheriff's service fees if you intend to use the Sheriff's Office for service) at the time you file your papers with the Clerk of the Court. The Self-Service Center and the Filing Counter have the deferral forms.

PAPERS: Hand all four (4) sets of your court papers to the Clerk along with cash, check or a Money Order for the filing fee of \$236.00. You must also give the Clerk two self-addressed stamped envelopes -- one for you and one for your spouse.

MAKE SURE YOU GET THE FOLLOWING BACK FROM THE CLERK:

- Your Set of Copies
- Your Spouse's Set of Copies

STEP 4: Read the packet at the Self-Service Center called "Service of Court Papers" that applies to your situation. This will explain how to serve the other party. Remember to file your Affidavit, Waiver or Acceptance of Service as soon as the Respondent is served.